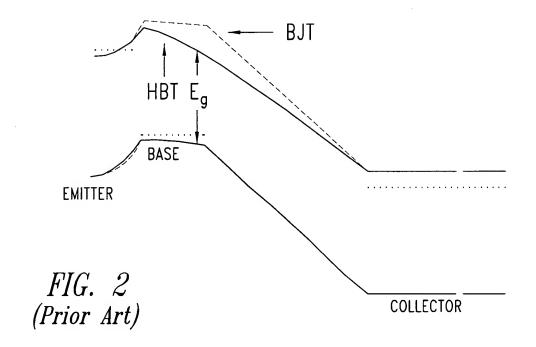
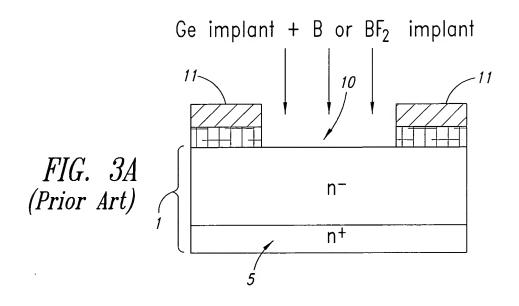
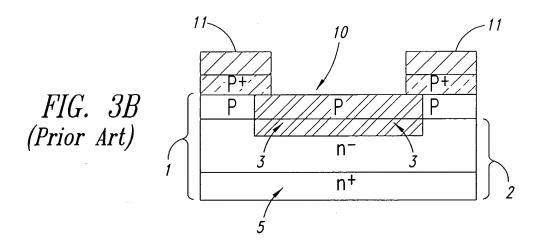
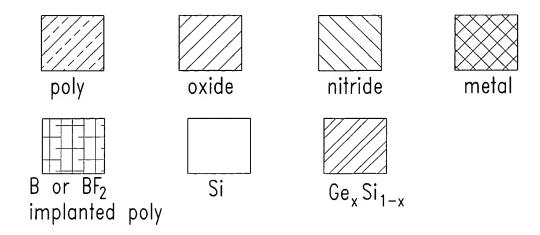
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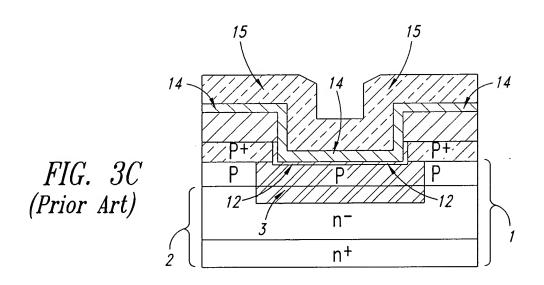
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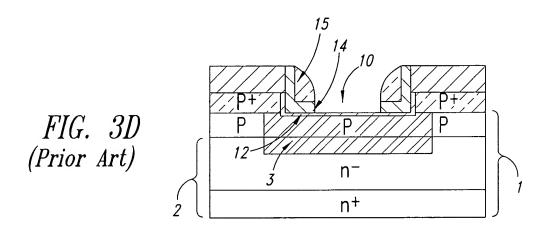


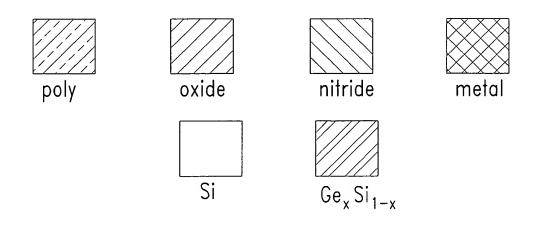


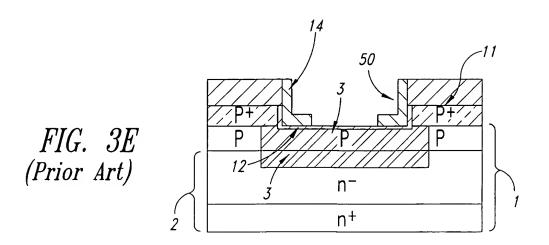


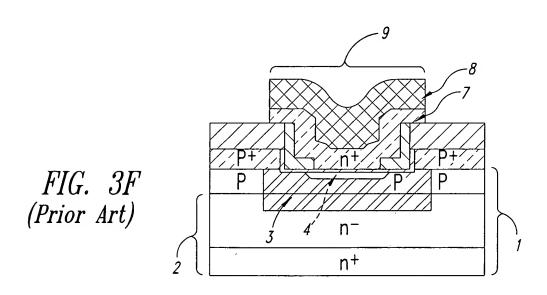


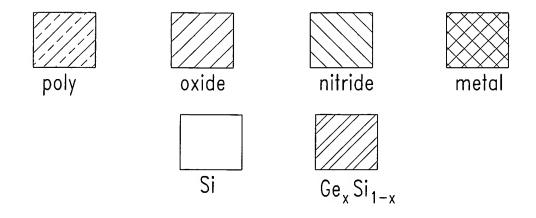












T1: 2 X 7.4 μm<sup>2</sup>
----T2: 0.4 X 7.4 μm<sup>2</sup>

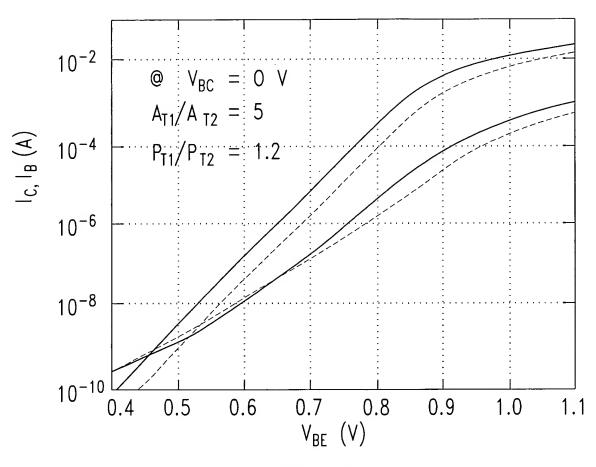
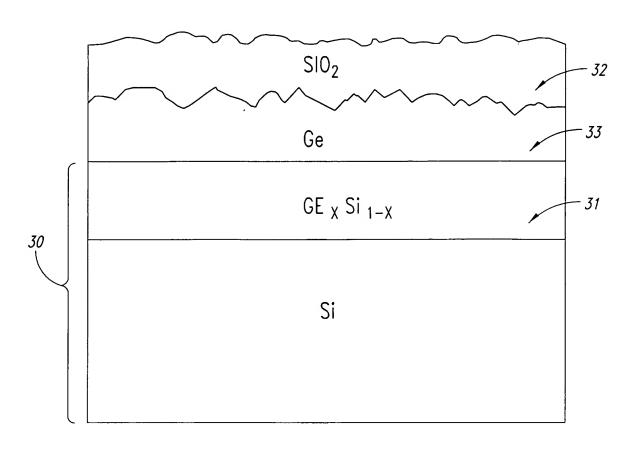


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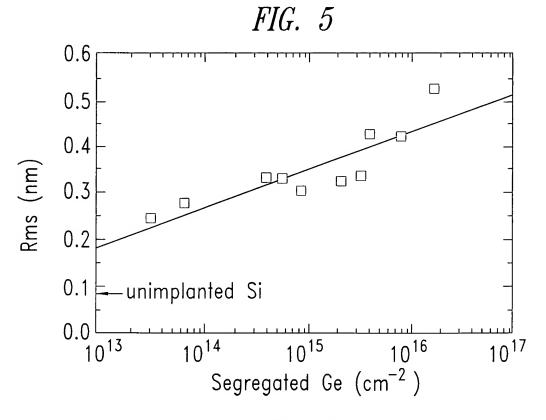


FIG. 7

Thermal oxide in  $Ge_xSi_{1-x}$ 

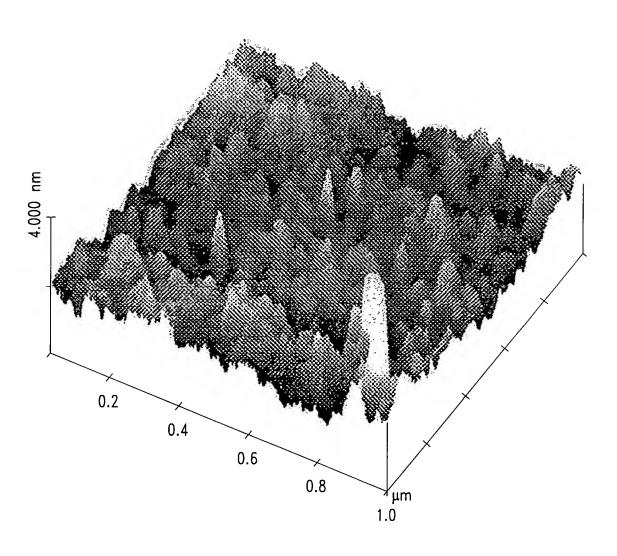
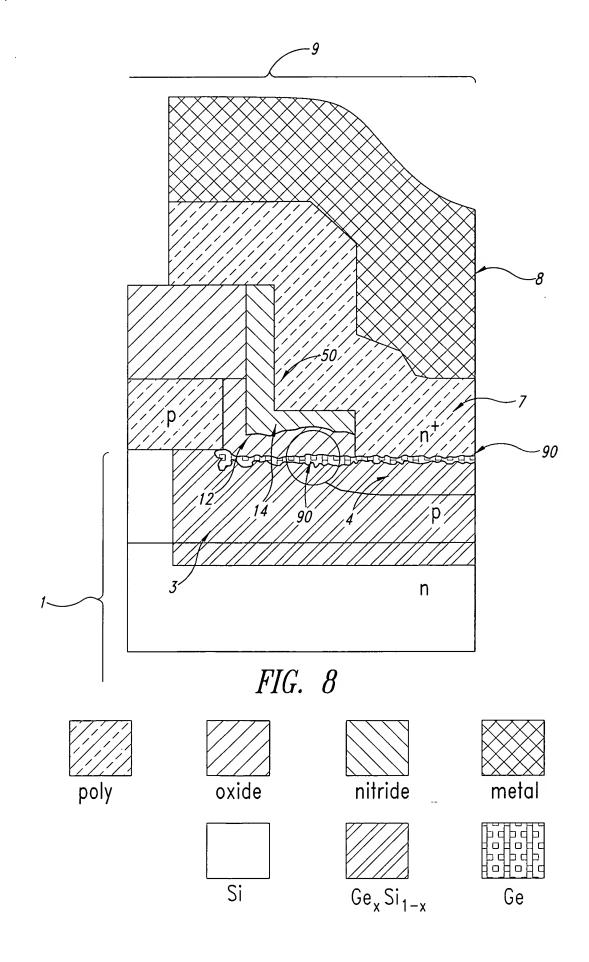
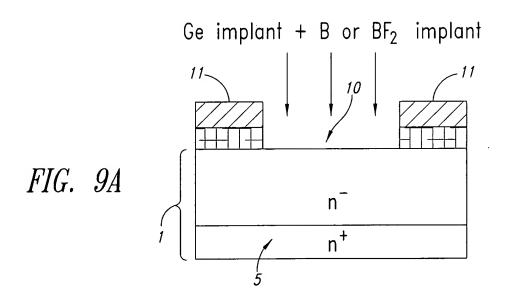
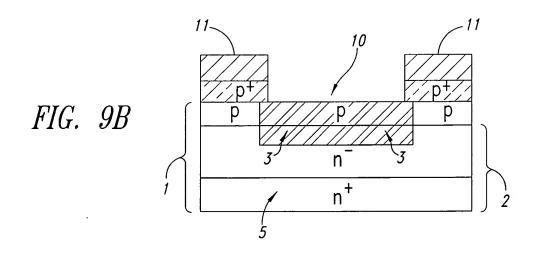


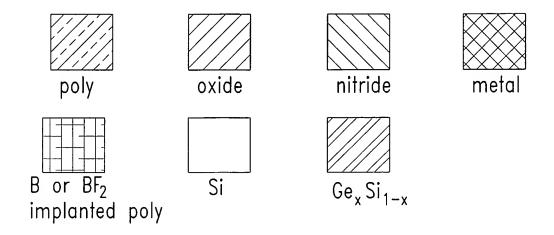
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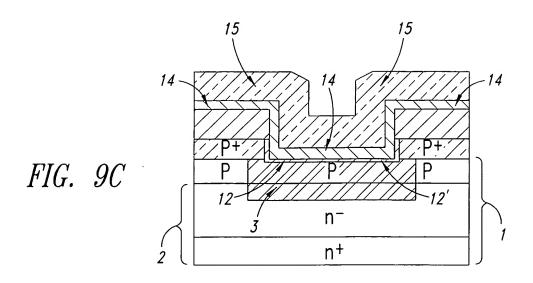
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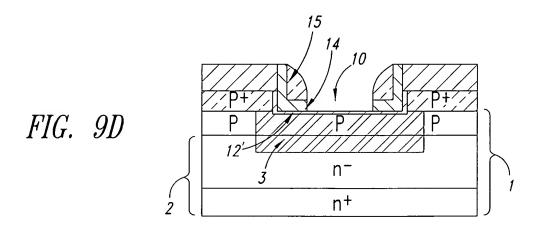


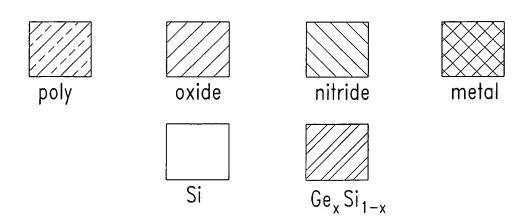


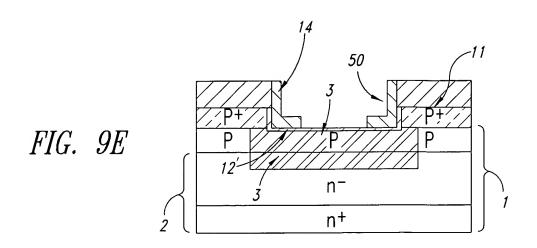


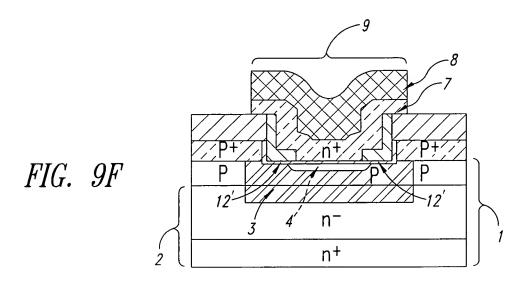


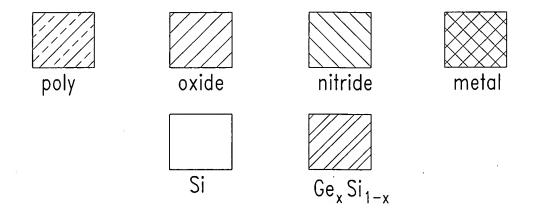












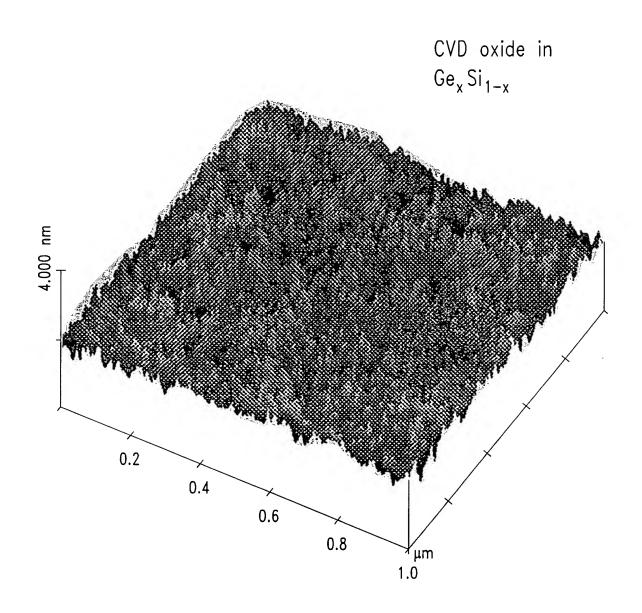


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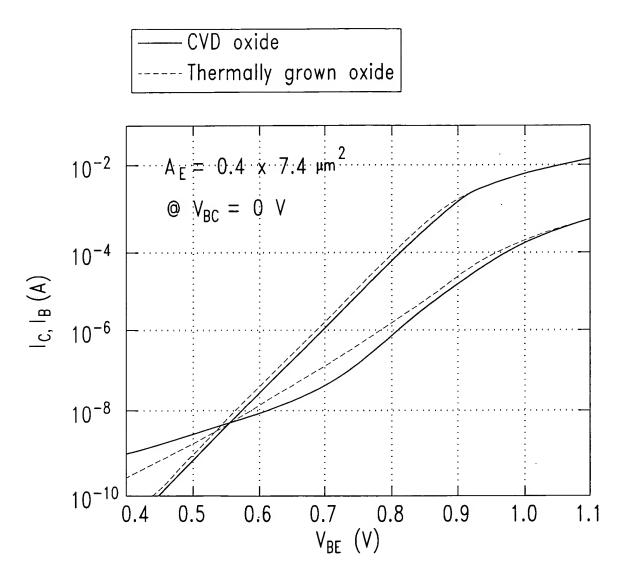
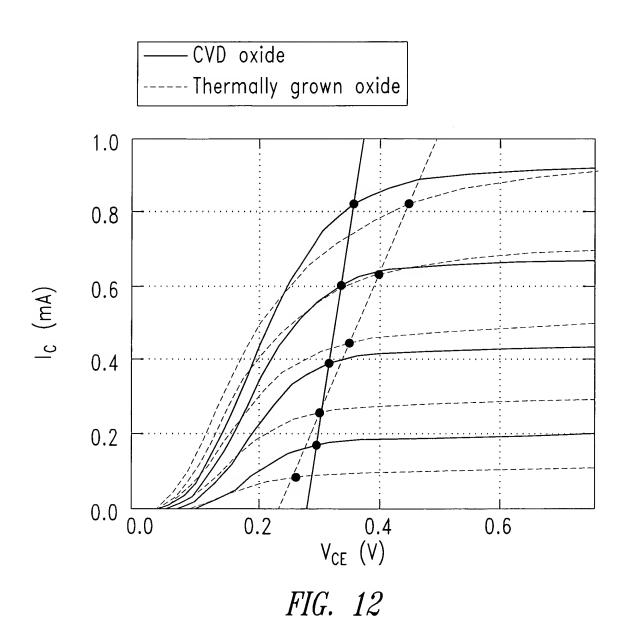


FIG. 11



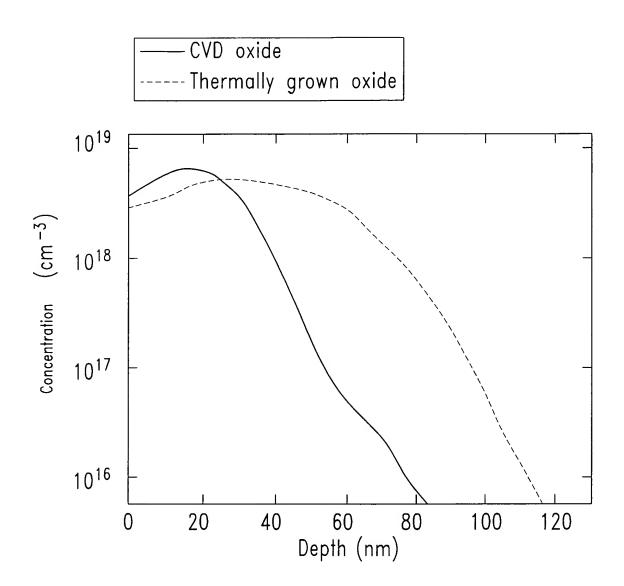


FIG. 13

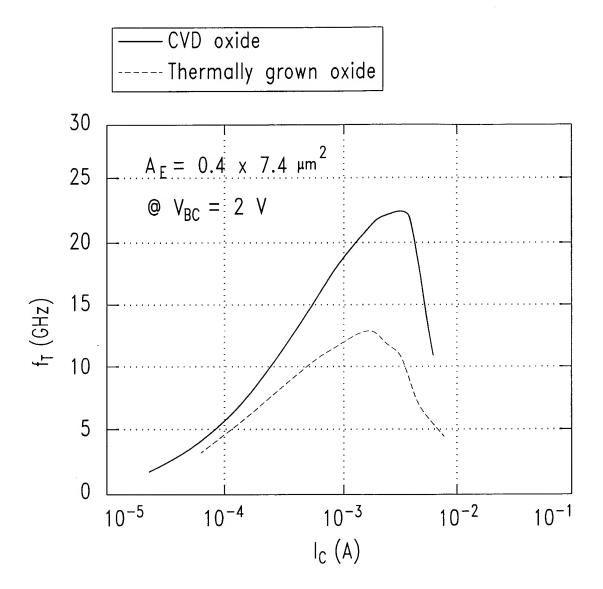


FIG. 14

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